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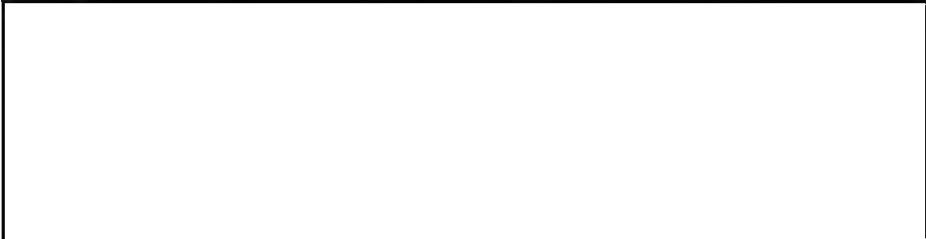
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### DAILY BRIEF

**\*South Vietnam:** Personnel shifts announced yesterday by Premier Khanh represent further concessions to Buddhist and student sentiment.

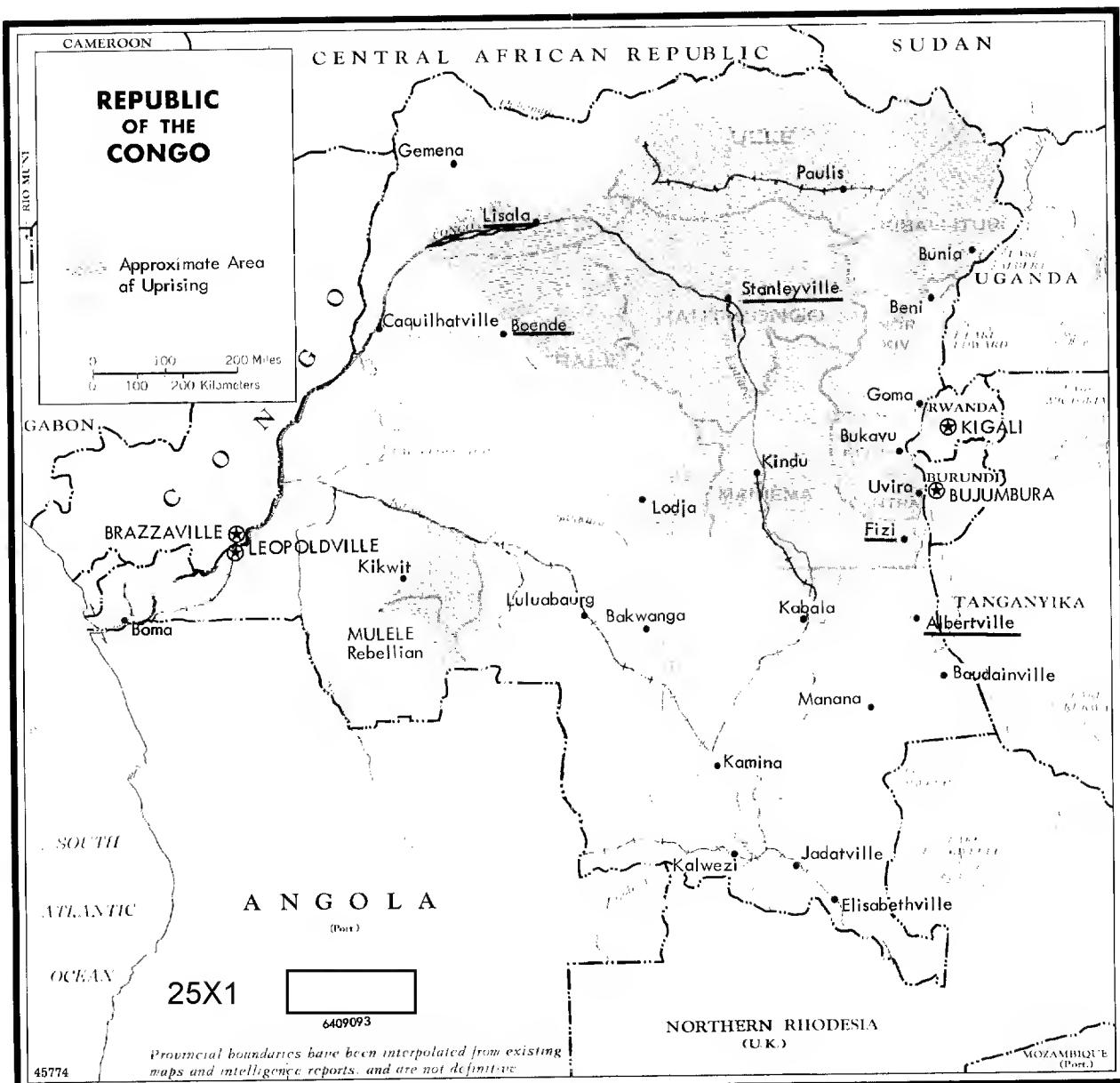
For the politically sensitive posts of minister of interior and mayor of Saigon, Khanh has appointed two civilian politicians associated with the Caravellist group, a loose assemblage of politicians who sought to extract reforms from Diem in early 1960. They replace two generals who had been principal targets of Buddhist agitation because of their alleged associations with the Diem regime's Can Lao Party.

Khanh has assumed the post of defense minister, relieving General Khiem who will continue to share at least nominal power as a member of the ruling triumvirate along with Khanh and General Minh.

In a rare interview with the press, Khiem professed qualified support for Khanh, at least "for the present." He sought to disassociate himself from recently rumored Dai Viet coup plotting.

Khiem implied that he conceived his role to be one of stiffening the resistance of Minh and Khanh to Buddhist pressures, charging that Buddhist leader Tri Quang harbored ambitions of taking power from them.

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\*Congo: Tshombé appears to have scored a substantial success at the Organization of African Unity (OAU) meeting now winding up in Addis Ababa.

Tshombé not only won acceptance by the conference as Premier of the legally constituted Congolese Government, but he apparently obtained a resolution which, in effect, leaves him free to make bilateral arrangements for assistance.

Tshombé also was apparently able to get terms of reference for the newly created OAU Congo Commission which sharply circumscribe the commission's scope for involvement in the Congo's internal problems. While Tshombé's own performance contributed much to this outcome, he received vital help from representatives of Ethiopia, Senegal, Nigeria, Liberia, and Sierra Leone.

In the Congo, Leopoldville appears finally to be taking measures against the rebel drive down the Congo River. Air strikes have been carried out in the Boende area and two mercenary forces are being sent to the Gemena-Coquilhatville area to reorganize government forces there.

In the south, government forces have moved about 100 miles north of Albertville toward Fizi.

New evidence of rebel dissension has appeared. The "Congo People's Republic" in Stanleyville, which touts its president, Christophe Gbenye, as the new "spiritual" heir to the late Patrice Lumumba, has denounced Antoine Gizenga as a "friend of the imperialists and colonialists." Gizenga has long claimed to be Lumumba's heir.

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NOTE

Communist China: Premier Chou En-lai, considered to be a relatively moderate voice in the Chinese Communist leadership, may be ill. Usually a very active figure, he has not appeared in public for a month and, according to the head of the Chinese Communist news agency in Hong Kong, "may not be able to take an active part in government before the end of September."

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